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## A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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## B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)  
**DWPI & keywords: fiber, fibre; fineness, linear density, coarseness; image, camera, ccd, photograph, video; length; mass, weight; and other similar terms**

## C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
Y	US 2002/0117274 A1 (JANG) 29 August 2002 see paragraph [0003]	1-3,5-8, 10,13,18-20, 30,31,34,35, 48-50
Y	FR 2512196 A (KAJAANI OY - FI) 4 March 1983 see abstract	1-3,5,6,30,31, 34,48,49,50
Y	US 6 407 819 B1 (KURATLE) 18 June 2002 see column 1 line 41 - column 3 line 54	1-3,5-8, 10,13,18-20, 30,31,34, 35,48,49

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A	US 5 270 787 A (SHOFNER ET AL.) 14 December 1993 see entire document	1 - 53
A	Patent Abstracts of Japan JP 03-249263 A (KANEBO LTD) 7 November 1991 see abstract	1 - 53
A	GB 2 148 498 A (WOOL DEVELOPMENT INTERNATIONAL LIMITED (UNITED KINGDOM)) 30 May 1985 see page 2 line 36 - page 7 line 14	1 - 53
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